approved 3/8/18

STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Minutes: Reorganizational and Regular Meeting January 11, 2018

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 7:50PM by Chairman John Rogalo with flag salute.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: In compliance with the New Jersey Assembly Bill no. 1030, notice for this meeting was sent to the *New Jersey Herald* and the *Daily Record* on January 12, 2017 and posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on the same day.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Owen Newson, John Rogalo, Nicole Member,

Anthony Riccardi

ABSENT: Michael Balogh

RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

John Rogalo: Reappointed as Chairman to a 1 year term to expire 12-31-18

Designation of official newspapers: New Jersey Herald and Daily Record

Approval of meeting dates/time/place: Proposed: 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10, 6/14, 7/12, 8/9, 9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/13, 1/10/19 (2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM at Borough Hall.) Motion by Anthony Riccardi and seconded by John Rogalo. (UC)

Owen Newson took the Oath of Allegiance and Office / 3 year term to expire 12/31/20.

Board Liaisons as agreed to for 2018:

Board of Health: Mike Balogh

Mayor and Council: Anthony Riccardi

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board: John Rogalo

Land Use Board: John Rogalo

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society: Owen Newson

Musconetcong Sewerage Authority: Owen Newson

Recreation Commission: Mike Balogh Shade Tree Commission: Nicole Member Plaster Mill: John Rogalo and Owen Newson

Water Quality: Mike Balogh

REGULAR MEETING

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 14, 2017 minutes were approved. Motion made by Anthony Riccardi and seconded by John Rogalo. (UC)

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received:

12/29/17 ANJEC Membership dues

1/2 Ellen Horak, Clerk: Mayor's appointments to Env. Comm.

1/3 Ellen Horak, Clerk: Actions at Reorg. Meeting

Sent:

1/8/18 Mayor and Council: Mt. Olive's new ordinance/ EC concerns

Acceptance of correspondence: Motion by Anthony Riccardi and seconded by John Rogalo (UC)

CURRENT ACTIVITY:

New Trail focus / Lutheran Church easement: John informed EC that Brian McNeilly reported that the Lutheran Church is on board with the trail easement and will walk the trail in the Spring with Brian and EC to confirm easement location and details before final approval.

Clean Communities Program: Nicole informed EC that Rachel Stroedel, advisor to LVRHS Go Green Club, has been notified of the Spring Clean-Up and the club plans to participate. The EC again will offer \$200 of Clean Communities funds to local non-profits which have six people or more participate in the event. Nicole will send out the letters to the non-profits and streamline the registration form. Owen informed EC that we will need more bags and gloves for the coming clean-up. EC will have Mike contact Bell's Mansion to see if they wish to provide post clean-up refreshment as in the past. It was suggested that the Lutheran Church trail could be another clean-up location.

Facebook / Topic for month: Topic will remain the same as last month: Use local firewood advisory

Salmon Park Deck: Last month, it was decided that the EC would present to Council their idea regarding the Salmon Park Deck entrance. Owen contacted clerk Ellen Horak to arrange a date for the Council presentation. Ellen later informed Owen that Mayor Roe Maio thought it would be better if we first talked directly to Administrator Brian McNeilly instead of giving a presentation to Council. EC agreed that Owen and John would speak with Brian on this topic sometime before our next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lakeside Park Plantings: John and Mike are working on a placement design for border plantings to give to Council.

Furnace Pond Trails and DEP approval: No movement.

NEW BUSINESS:

Owen asked EC permission to buy 4 large binders for storage of EC minutes, correspondence and mail. EC agreed.

John informed EC of a 10 foot strip of municipal property that the borough plans to give to property owners (Lots 8-28) on Young Drive. This has not been finalized.

John informed EC that construction to reinforce the Lake Musconetcong Dam will soon begin. While the dam itself is sound, the earth and boulders on either side of the dam will be reinforced with concrete and strengthened.

BILLS:

John signed voucher for ANJEC dues (\$350). Motion by Owen Newson and seconded by Anthony Riccardi (UC)

LIAISON REPORTS:

Board of Health: Minutes for 11/8/17 and 12/13/17. Nothing to report

Mayor and Council: Anthony Riccardi informed the EC that he will replace Councilman Mike Depew on the borough Council. Mike is stepping down due to health concerns. Congratulations Anthony!

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board:

Land Use Board: John informed EC that many Byram residents attended last month's Land Use Board meeting to voice their concerns regarding the new gas station and minimart that will be constructed on the Stanhope/Byram border.

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:

Musconetcong Sewerage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission: Nicole reported that Shade Tree meetings will now be the first Tuesday of the month.

Plaster Mill: Water Quality:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM. Motion by Owen Newson and seconded by Nicole Member. (UC)

Respectfully submitted,

Owen Newson Secretary

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